



# Chord Company PowerHAUS P6

**WINNER**  
POWER/POWER BLOCK

**T**he PowerHAUS P6 evolved from the custom distribution boards that Chord Company has been building for its own use at hi-fi shows and internal demonstration rooms since the mid-1980s. On its

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solidly constructed two-piece metal chassis are two sets of three sockets separated amidst by the IEC mains input socket and a grounding post. The PowerHAUS P6 is available in UK and EU socket versions, with an Aus/NZ version on the cards. Internally, its heavy-gauge wiring looms are the product of hand assembly. It has no ferrite or other noise-busting systems, and even neon lights and switches are avoided, as is Chord Company’s way. However, the company claims that the PowerHAUS P6 employs some of the GroundARRAY and PowerARRAY mains noise-reduction techniques employed by some of its more expensive products. Sensibly, Chord Company recommends keeping mains cables as far away as possible from those of the signal-carrying variety.

### Successful and positive

Martin Pipe tried the PowerHAUS P6 on numerous systems, and got successful and positive results in all cases. He thought that when a system was plugged into the PowerHAUS P6, “Piano and percussion parts are easier - through the speakers of the first system and the headphones of the second - to pick out from the surrounding musical layers with the PowerHAUS P6 in the circuit.”

He noted that low end reproduction was strong, “With the PowerHAUS P6 in my system, the bass parts were palpably better articulated than with a standard board. With the latter, they seemed more overblown and congested.”

Martin concluded the review, saying “Clearly, paying attention to mains matters, like aftermarket interconnects and sensibly chosen speaker cables, can yield audible benefits. Once you’ve considered the ‘fundamentals’—notably speaker positioning, room acoustics, and the provision of rigid platforms for your equipment—you owe it to yourself to explore the Chord Company PowerHAUS P6.”

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